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As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Gum Resin as a Carrier for Topical Application of Pharmacologically Active Agents

the specification of which

[] Is attached hereto.
(check one) [] Was filed on _____ and has been assigned Serial Number _____.
[X] Was filed on January 18, 2002 as Attorney Docket No. ALBA.001.01US

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability of this application as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 and, if applicable, all such information under 37 CFR § 1.56 which became available between the national or PCT International filing date of the prior application and the filing date of this application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

		<u>Priority Claimed</u>		
(number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	[] Yes	[] No

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of any provisional application and §120 of any non-provisional United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 USC §112 I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56, which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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I hereby appoint:

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